

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:
Hebert et al.

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**For: Completion Apparatus and
Methods for Use in Hydrocarbon
Wells**

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**SECOND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 23, 2004 AND
RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION DATED JULY 21, 2004**

In a second, supplemental response to the Final Office Action dated April 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 23, 2004, as well as in response to the Advisory Action dated July 21, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0091.Y1/WBP for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

REMARKS

This is intended as second, supplemental response to the Final Office Action dated April 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 23, 2004 and extended one month by the accompanying Request for One-Month Extension of Time to August 23, 2004, as well as a full and complete response to the Advisory Action date July 21, 2004. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1, 10-14, and 17-49 remain pending in the application and are shown above. Claims 2-9, 15-16, and 44-49 have been cancelled by Applicants. Claims 44-49 are rejected. Claims 1, 10-14, and 17-43 are indicated to be allowable by the Examiner.

Claims 44-49, as presented in the First Response to Final Office Action dated April 23, 2004, stand rejected because the Examiner states in the Advisory Action dated July 21, 2004 that the amendment would require a re-application of the prior art used in the final rejection with a different interpretation of what structure makes up the tubular section. Applicants have cancelled claims 44-49 without prejudice.

Having addressed all issues set out in the Final Office Action and Advisory Action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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